

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: VOICE RESPONSE
CERTIFICATE REDEMPTION
SYSTEM
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Examiner: Arthur D. Duran
Art Unit: 3622
Confirmation No.: 1257

STATUS REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This is a follow-up to Applicant's letters of May 11, 2004, June 15, 2004, August 6, 2004, September 15, 2005, May 22, 2006, and July 26, 2006, requesting status of the first examination for the above identified patent application. In the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's letters of September 2, 2004 and September 22, 2004, it was projected that the first examination of the subject patent application would be in 8 to 11 months (May-August, 2005). Applicant received a third letter dated September 29, 2005, from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with a new projected time period of 16 months to receive the first Office Action (January 2007). Applicant received a fourth letter dated July 31, 2006, from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with a new projected time period of 3 months to receive the first Office Action (October 31, 2006).

In the May 9, 2006, Official Gazette, the average filing date of applications receiving a first Office Action in the 3620 technology group was August 28, 2002. The subject application was filed February 20, 2002. Applicant is very concerned at the long delay. Please provide a status of this application to the undersigned attorney.

Date: Nov. 17, 2006

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